Submitted by: Chairman of the Assembly at the Request of the

Mayor

Prepared by: Mayor's Office For reading: February 9, 2021

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA AR No. 2021-47

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE APPROPRIATING FUND BALANCE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-TWO MILLION FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIX DOLLARS (\$22,436,406) TO CONTINUE PROGRAMS APPROVED IN THE PRIORITY AREAS AND FRAMEWORK FOR ALLOCATION OF THE COVID-19 RELIEF **FUNDS PROGRAMS.**

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WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization (WHO) declared that the global coronavirus crisis is a pandemic and the State of Alaska (State) declared a public health emergency in response to an anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, in the spring of 2020, the State allocated Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funds in the amount of \$156,713,566.04 to the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Assembly and the Administration, in their commitment to address the needs of the community during the COVID-19 pandemic, approved multiple economic stimulus and stabilization programs; and

WHEREAS, throughout 2020, the CARES Act Funds were used to cover some immediate programs and also payroll costs of first responders, which facilitated a change in funding source from CARES Act Funds to Fund Balance for some approved programs; and

WHEREAS, some of the approved programs funded with Fund Balance have not been fully spent and the community needs still exist in 2021; now, therefore,

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:

- Section 1. That an amount not to exceed TWENTY-TWO MILLION FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIX DOLLARS (\$22,436,406) of Areawide General Fund (101000) Fund Balance is hereby appropriated for the following:
 - Administrative Flexibility Fund \$896,330
 - Anchorage Health Department \$2,282,169
 - Assembly Capacity and Counsel Increase \$125,000
 - Assembly Outreach \$25.000
 - Child Care Assistance Program \$5,000,000
 - Energy Efficiency Jobs Program \$1,000,000

| 1 | Nine Star Net-2-Ladder Project - \$300,000 |
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| 2 | Planning & Development - \$349,830 |
| 3 | Pre-K Classrooms for ASD - \$250,000 |
| 4 | Public Lands Jobs Program - \$1,304,781 |
| 5 | Rapid Rehousing Program - \$700,000 |
| 6 | Small Business Stabilization Program - \$1,612,070 |
| 7 | Tourism and Hospitality Industry Relief Program - \$8,591,226 |
| 8 | Tourism and hospitality model y relief i rogram - \$6,001,220 |
| 9 | Section 2. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and |
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| 12 | PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this day of |
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Assembly Memorandum

No. <u>AM 97-2021</u>

Meeting Date: February 9, 2021

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This resolution proposes using Areawide General Fund (101000) Fund Balance in an amount not to exceed \$22,436,406 to continue the economic stabilization programs initiated by the municipality in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding will allow the continuation of the following approved programs:

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- <u>Administration Flexibility Fund</u>. To address unforeseen needs related to COVID-19 issues in a timely fashion. (re AR 2020-221, As Amended)
- <u>Anchorage Health Department</u>. For additional Public Health Nurses, an Epidemiologist, and Homelessness Program Support personnel and includes amount for Assembly mental health first responder. (re AR 2020-271(S), As Amended)
- Assembly Capacity and Counsel Increase. For purposes of increasing Assembly capacity through additional aide hours and hiring additional aide staff and support for the Clerk's and Assembly Counsel Offices. (re AR 2020-274, As Amended)
- <u>Assembly Outreach</u>. For funding an outreach and education program on CARES Act Funding through the Assembly Department. (re AR 2020-273)
- <u>Child Care Assistance Program</u>. For support to licensed child care providers, especially those that have struggled to maintain operations due to closures and decreased enrollments due to the COVID-19 pandemic. (re AO 2020-99, As Amended)
- <u>Energy Efficiency Jobs Program</u>. Funding for an Efficiency Jobs Program that will hire individuals to install energy efficient infrastructure. (re AO 2020-99, As Amended)
- <u>Nine Star Net-2-Ladder Project</u>. Funding to help provide jobs and prevent homelessness. (re AO 2020-99, As Amended)
- <u>Planning & Development</u>. For software upgrades to fully transition to electronic submissions, reviews, and approvals. (re AR 2020-271(S), As Amended)
- <u>Pre-K Classrooms for ASD</u>. To provide funds for the Anchorage School District to fully fund all of their blended Pre-K classrooms. (re AO 2020-99, As Amended)
- <u>Public Lands Jobs Program, round 2</u>. Funding to hire individuals to help improve or expand soft surface trails and other shovel-ready projects in Girdwood and Eagle River, and an Indigenous Wayfinding project. (re AO 2020-99, As Amended)
- Rapid Rehousing Program. Funding for a Rapid Re-Housing program to reduce

- numbers at the George M. Sullivan Sports Arena mass shelter site. (AR 2020-271(S),
 As Amended)
 Small Business Stabilization Program. Continued relief funds for small businesses
 - <u>Small Business Stabilization Program</u>. Continued relief funds for small businesses impacted by COVID-19 and the Emergency Orders, including, but not limited to, hospitality and entertainment business. (re AR 2020-426)
 - <u>Tourism and Hospitality Industry Relief Program</u>. Relief funds for tourism businesses experiencing a COVID-19-related hardship. (re AR 2020-293)

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THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL.

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12 Approved by: Jason Bockenstedt, Chief of Staff

Concur: Lance Wilber, Director

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Office of Management & Budget

15 Fund certification: Alexander Slivka, CFO

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(Areawide General Fund Cash Balance)

Concur: Kathryn R. Vogel, Municipal Attorney
Concur: Anna C. Henderson, Municipal Manager
Respectfully submitted: Austin Quinn-Davidson, Acting Mayor